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REFERENCES

- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are provided in application Serial No. 10/306,004 filed November 29, 2002 and in U.S. Patent No. 6,516,179, issued February 4, 2003, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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